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# WAGE RATES INDEXES, AUSTRALIA, JUNE 1982 (PRELIMINARY)

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#### MAIN FEATURES

In June 1982, the weighted average minimum weekly wage rate for adult males increased by \$4.01 to \$225.19. The rate for adult females increased by \$2.60 to \$208.55.

For the year ended June 1982 weighted average minimum weekly wage rates for adult males increased from \$201.54 to \$225.19 and from \$187.16 to \$208.55 for adult females.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### Introduction

More information on these statistics of weighted average minimum weekly and hourly wage rates and index numbers for adult males and adult females will appear later in the monthly publication Wage Rates, Australia (6312.0) which also contains explanatory notes covering definitions, scope of the statistics, etc. Revised indexes based on more up-to-date weighting patterns are being developed and are expected to be published in 1982.

## Definitions, etc.

2. The wage rates used in the compilation of the indexes are the lowest rates for a full week's work (excluding overtime) prescribed for particular occupations in awards or determinations of Federal or State industrial authorities; in collective agreements registered with these authorities; or in unregistered collective agreements where these are dominant in particular industries. The indexes are designed to measure movements in prescribed minimum rates of wages as distinct from salaries; those awards, etc. which relate solely or mainly to salary earners are therefore excluded. Because of delays in the receipt of notification of changes in wage rates as well as retrospective changes to rates, all figures shown in this publication are subject to revision. As such revisions are made they are published in the normal monthly tables of this publication.

- 3. The indexes are designed to measure trends in wage rates in current awards, etc. excluding the effects of changes in the relative importance of industries, awards and occupations. The weighted average wage rates shown in these tables are therefore indexes expressed in money terms, and do not purport to be actual current averages. Similarly, neither these weighted average wage rates nor the corresponding index numbers measure the relative levels of average current wage rates as between States or industries.
- 4. For adult males the weekly wage rates exclude rural industry; in addition the hourly rates exclude shipping and stevedoring, for which data to compute hourly wages are not available. The weekly and hourly wage rates for adult females exclude rural industry, mining and quarrying, and building and construction.
- 5. The annual changes shown in Tables 1, 2 and 4 measure the percentage change from the same month for the previous year. The percentages may fluctuate from month to month owing to the timing of significant award changes.

#### Related publications

6. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a Publications Advice (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

## Symbols and other usages

n.e.i. not elsewhere included

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#### TABLE 1. - WEEKLY AND HOURLY WAGE RATES (A) - ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA

WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS, DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS; WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY RATES PAYABLE; AND INDEX NUMBERS C? WAGE RATES.

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MAY	201.06	13.1	711.9	502.78	710.6	187.10	15.5	939.8	171 10	
JUNE	201.54	13.3	713.6	504.04	712.4	187.16	15.5	940.1	471.63	940.1
JULY	202.07	8.9	715.5	505.37	714.3	187.31	9.6	940.9	472.16	940.4
AUGUST	202.89	9.2	718.4	507.50	717.3	187.77	9.6	943.2	473.33	943.5
SEPTEMBER	204.29	9.6	723.4	511.09	722.4	188.70	9.4	947.8	475.66	948.1
OCTOBER	205.28	9.8	726.9	513.64	726.0	190.05	9.5	954.7	479.08	954.9
NOVEMBER	208.53	11.5	738.4	521.95	737.7	193.88	11.6	973.9	488.73	974.1
DECEMBER	215.30	15.1	762.4	539.37	762.4	198.10	13.8	995.1	499.37	995.4
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JANUARY	217.13	12.0	768.8	543.71	768.5	200.62	11.2	1007.7	505.72	1008.0
FEBRUARY	218.70	12.7	774.4	547.70	774.1	202.75	12.3	1018.4	511.09	1018.7
MARCH	219.86	13.3	778.5	554.09	783.2	205.70	13.9	1033.3	519.67	1035.8
APRIL	220.76	13.7	781.7	556.49	786.6	205.85	13.9	1034.0	520.05	1036.
JUNE	221.18	10.0	783.2	559.18 569.97	790.4	205.95	10.1	1034.5	520.29	1037.

<sup>(</sup>A) INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1. (B) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.

TABLE 2. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30 JUNE 1982.
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

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MINING AND QUARRYING (B) (C)	286.55	213.62	275.02	210.84	211.01	216.12	262.84	10.5	930.7
MANUFACTURING -									
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES, ETC(C)	213.70	226.14	235.83	220.51	221.05	213.57	220.31	14.4	780.1
TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	206.10	207.04	207.72	202.19	210.82	199.82	206.47	11.0	731.1
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	213.39	219.82	227.71	210.74	218.18		216.35	13.5	766.0
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	220.78	200.91	240.83	233.79	218.18	210.87	216.35	13.5	800.0
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (C) OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	214.45	216.92	222.13	210.98	205.09	190.22	214.49	10.3	759.5
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	214.26	219.82	230.18	216.82	216.41	208.69	217.91	12.6	771.6
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	244.55	253.16	233.13	246.80	216.76	227.43	241.65	11.8	855.6
RAILWAY SERVICES (C)	216.57	185.65	235.90	213.06	177.93	223.36	210.80	15.6	746.4
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	220.79	208.38	219.57	203.83	225.45	198.66	215.62	8.4	763.5
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)(D)	253.93	254.56	244.18	247.13	253.02	240.89	250.69	4.7	887.6
COMMUNICATION	269.98	271.79	269.42	263.72	271.37	255.80	269.50	10.8	954.3
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	219.63	228.43	229.78	218.37	220.62	210.47	223.21	11.0	790.3
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, (N.E.I.) AND							manna b. a	east and	Principle.
COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES	222.56	228.90	228.48	210.52	211.62	238.42	223.38	10.6	791.0
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICES, ETC	204.69	202.92	208.91	200.56	190.94	188.26	202.72	8.8	717.8
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C)(E)	225.11	225.03	234.16	222.55	215.97	217.01	225.19	11.7	797.4

<sup>(</sup>A) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100. (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES ETC. (C) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1. (D) INCLUDES WAGE RATES (AND VALUE OF KEEP) FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICE, OTHER THAN MASTERS, ENGINEERS AND OTHER OFFICERS. (E) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY

INDUSTRY GROUP	N.S.W.	! VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	! W.A.	! TAS.	AUST.			
			WAC	GE RATES (CEN	TS)					
INING AND QUARRYING (A) (B)	803.09	538.47	726.01	527.10	552.90	552.50	710.4			
ANUFACTURING -										
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES, ETC(B)	548.07	581.10	598.25	565.96	553.10	540.42	564.1			
TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	516.18	517.60	519.30	505.47	527.04	499.54	516.4			
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (B)	537.21	552.12	569.48	523.60	560.82	534.55	548.3			
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	556.98	503.94	573.60	526.85	545.45	527.19	542.9			
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (B)	557.33	573.54	607.30	584.47	563.46	526.71	567.5			
OTHER MANUFACTURING (B)	544.76	549.19	556.10	532.26	512.73	478.47	542.6			
L MANUFACTURING GROUPS (B)	545.25	558.06	578.97	551.29	542.78	524.81	552.8			
JILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (B)	625.04	659.21	590.82	624.02	541.91	575.89	617.3			
AILWAY SERVICES (B)	541.54	464.79	589.74	532.66	444.82	560.26	527.2			
OAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (B)	553.22	522.21	550.20	514.39	563.62	496.65	540.5			
OMMUNICATION	707.29	710.12	703.94	698.32	709.03	670.13	705.7			
HOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (B) UBLIC AUTHORITIES, (N.E.I.) AND	550.64	572.30	575.01	547.44	551.54	526.99	559.1			
COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES	568.39	587.91	578.10	536.62	534.68	605.33	569.5			
MUSEMENTS, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICES, ETC	511.73	507.53	522.27	501.39	477.34	470.66	506.8			
LL INDUSTRY GROUPS (B)(D)	572.16	570.07	590.02	561.63	540.65	543.75	569.9			
	INDEX NUMBERS (C)									
INING AND QUARRYING (A) (B)	1135.1	761.1	1026.2	745.0	781.5	780.9	1004.2			
ANUFACTURING -	1133.1	,01.1	1020.2	743.0	701.5	700.9	1004.			
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES, ETC(B)	774.7	821.3	845.6	799.9	781.8	763.8	797.			
TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	729.6	731.6	734.0	714.5	744.9	706.1	730.			
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (B)	759.3	780.4	804.9	740.1	792.7	755.5	775.			
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	787.2	712.3	810.7	744.7	771.0	745.1	767.			
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (B)	787.8	810.7	858.4	826.1	796.4	744.5	802.			
OTHER MANUFACTURING (B)	770.0	776.2	786.0	752.3	724.7	676.3	767.			
LL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (B)	770.7	788.8	818.3	779.2	767.2	741.8	781.			
UILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (B)	883.5	931.7	835.1	882.0	766.0	814.0	872.			
AILWAY SERVICES (B)	765.4	656.9	833.6	752.9	628.7	791.9	745.			
OAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (B)	781.9	738.1	777.7	727.1	796.6	702.0	764.			
OMMUNICATION	999.7	1003.7	995.0	987.0	1002.2	947.2	997.			
HOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (B) UBLIC AUTHORITIES, (N.E.I.) AND	778.3	808.9	812.7	773.8	779.6	744.9	790.			
COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES	803.4	831.0	817.1	758.5	755.7	855.6	804.			
MUSEMENTS, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICES, ETC	723.3	717.4	738.2	708.7	674.7	665.2	716.			
LL INDUSTRY GROUPS (B)(D)	808.7	805.8	833.9	793.8	764.2	768.6	805.			

<sup>(</sup>A) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES, ETC. (B) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1 (C) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100. (D) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY AND SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING

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TABLE 4. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT FEMALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30 JUNE 1982.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS, DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

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ANUFACTURING -									
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES, ETC(B)	213.04	221.89	219.41	212.37	215.18	206.89	216.13	15.9	1085.7
TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	197.81	197.15	197.57	197.78	199.70	191.22	197.42	11.3	991.6
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO	210.08	204.74	212.11	202.28	206.04	191.10	206.72	10.4	1038.4
OTHER MANUFACTURING (B)	204.77	208.32	211.99	198.87	202.17	197.25	205.96	12.0	1034.5
LL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (B)	204.08	203.66	206.29	203.54	203.46	193.55	203.83	12.2	1023.9
RANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION	197.83	202.32	212.16	205.91	201.64	212.57	202.58	10.0	1017.6
HOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	215.55	227.81	226.50	216.82	216.02	183.80	219.52	10.6	1102.
COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES	213.61	230.20	218.78	212.52	198.89	208.55	217.99	12.9	1095.0
MUSEMENTS, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICES, ETC	197.59	200.09	197.62	194.99	187.20	188.65	196.95	9.5	989.
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (B)	206.83	210.83	213.87	207.97	205.04	191.64	208.55	11.4	1047.

<sup>(</sup>A) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE ,AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 - 100. (B) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1.

TABLE 5. WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ALI. GROUPS(A)

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WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS.

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MAY	201.56	200.00	206.07	198.66	196.61	199.16	202.48	199.33	201.0	
JUNE	202.12	200.44	206.53	199.08	197.03	199.61	203.28	199.44	201.5	
JULY	202.28	201.48	206.90	200.26	197.17	199.73	203.98	199.75	202.0	
AUGUST	203.06	201.87	209.67	200.46	197.33	199.85	204.36	201.12	202.1	
SEPTEMBER	204.07	203.43	210.32	203.45	199.13	202.36	206.42	201.72	204.	
OCTOBER	205.07	205.10	210.57	204.28	199.34	202.61	207.30	202.83	205.	
	207.91	207.33	217.15	205.81	205.02	205.18	209.94	206.82	208.	
NOVEMBER	217.06	214.98	219.09	213.09	205.16	208.63	219.91	209.72	215.	
DECEMBER	217.00	214.70	217.07	213.03	203110	200103		6		
982 -	218.44	217.32	220.96	213.75	208.64	211.01	220.82	212.67	217.	
JANUARY			223.44	215.57	209.91	213.41	222.67	213.90	218.	
FEBRUARY	219.36	219.25	225.18	217.03	211.63	213.96	223.03	216.02	219.	
MARCH	220.15		226.20	217.68	213.30	214.61	224.36	216.39	220.	
APRIL	221.03	221.26		218.68	213.49	215.26	224.65	216.98	221.	
MAY	221.28	221.52	227.17	222.55	215.97	217.01	229.45	220.04	225.	
JUNE	225.11	225.03	234.10	222.33	213.7/	217.01	227.47	220.04		
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981 -										
MAY	186.84	187.69	189.75	185.72	185.28	178.95	177.96	195.03	187.	
JUNE	186.97	187.69	189.75	185.75	185.28	179.03	178.00	195.10	187.	
JULY	187.03	187.76	189.82	186.78	185.66	179.22	178.07	195.33	187.	
AUGUST	187.85	187.83	190.26	186.95	186.42	179.31	178.26	196.03	187.	
SEPTEMBER	188.46	188.89	192.15	187.78	187.06	180.36	179.50	196.68	188.	
OCTOBER	190.18	190.09	193.57	188.39	187.60	181.49	181.55	197.44	190.	
NOVEMBER	195.00	192.52	199.13	189.68	193.53	182.52	185.71	200.98	193.	
DECEMBER	199.49	197.84	199.95	195.41	194.08	184.98	191.22	204.08	198.	
982 -										
JANUARY	201.33	202.52	200.14	195.74	197.05	185.25	191.56	208.49	200.	
FEBRUARY	202.84	205.16	201.76	199.18	199.54	188.66	195.25	209.26	202.	
MARCH	204.81	207.67	207.37	204.89	204.17	191.07	196.15	213.99	205.	
APRIL	205.02	207.72	207.76	204.96	204.17	191.07	196.15	214.27	205.	
MAY	205.06	207.82	207.90	205.06	204.52	191.20	196.16	214.44	205.	
JUNE	206.83	210.83	213.87	207.97	205.04	191.64	198.75	217.07	208.	

<sup>(</sup>A) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD. PART 1.